Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Robert Dean Brekke and Patricia Ann Flanagan exchanged their wedding vows on May 29, 1954, in St. Henry's Catholic Church in Henry, South Dakota, promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days; and,

Whereas, Robert and Patricia gave life and love to three children, Jeff, Barbara, and Todd, who have in turn blessed their parent's lives with eight grandchildren; and,

Whereas, The newly-wed couple of 50 years ago has been replaced by two devoted partners who have shared life's beauty and sorrow, and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

Whereas, Through their lifelong dedication to the values of caring and sharing, Robert and Patricia have helped make South Dakota a great place to live and work; and,

Whereas, Robert and Patricia will celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary at the Good Samaritan Society Jerstad Center on Sunday, June 20, 2004, from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m., and it is altogether fitting and proper that the Governor of South Dakota recognizes and commemorates the memorable milestones in the lives of the state's outstanding citizens:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 20, 2004, as

ROBERT AND PATRICIA BREKKE DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with the honored couple's family and friends in wishing them continued health and happiness in a state that stands prouder today because of their contributions and commitment.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventeenth Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State